

September 24, 2018 (Special Village Board Meeting)

**DENMARK SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018
5:00 P.M., DENMARK VILLAGE HALL**

CALL TO ORDER

President Mleziva called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Susan Selner, Vince Wertel, Deb Kralovetz, Mary Jo Bielinski, Leah Goral, Gregory Mleziva

Excused: Paul Hergarten

Officials Present: Clerk Sherri Konkol, Treasurer Kim Cooke, Public Works Director Erika Sisel, Building Inspector Ralph Witte

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON THE PLAN COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NUMBER 315 ZONING, ADDING TO ARTICLE II SECTION 315-23 SUB LETTER N, LOCK BOX SYSTEM

Witte explained the Knox Box is a Rapid Access System for Fire Departments and EMS providing a non-destructive emergency access to commercial and industrial properties in order to eliminate forced entries into structures. Witte stated the Knox Box is a heavy, steel box that is placed inside the structure of the building which holds a key that will permit access to the structure for life safety issues.

Wertel/Bielinski moved to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation and approve the amendment to ordinance number 315 Zoning, adding to Article II Section 315-23 sub-letter N, Lock Box System. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON THE PLAN COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NUMBER 224, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, ADDING SECTION 224-9 WEEDS AND OTHER VEGETATION TO THE CURRENT ORDINANCE AND RE-NUMBERING THE REMAINING SECTIONS OF THE CHAPTER ACCORDINGLY

Sisel explained the ordinance limits the height for weeds and other vegetation as benchmarks for sending out letters stating they have to be mowed.

Witte shared when the Village did their recodification, after several people looking at the code; somehow this was missed in the new code. It was in the previous code, so now we just need to get it back in the code so we can enforce it.

Selner/Wertel moved to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation to approve the amendment to Ordinance Number 224, Property Maintenance, adding Section 224-9 Weeds and Other Vegetation to the current ordinance and re-numbering the remaining section of the chapter accordingly. Motion carried.

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BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON THE PLAN COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO NOT APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE DENMARK SCHOOL DISTRICT TO REZONE PARCEL NUMBERS VD-2 LOCATED AT NORTH AVENUE, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS: THAT PART OF S1/2 NE1/4 NW1/4 SEC 27 T22N R22E LYG WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF DENMARK EX J18886-20; AND PART OF PARCEL VD-21 LOCATED AT 480 HIGHRIDGE AVENUE, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS: THAT PRT OF SE1/4 NW1/4 SEC 27 T22N R22E LYG WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF DENMARK EX COM INT W/L & C/L HIGHRIDGE AVE E 58.5 FT SWLY TO SW COR N TO BEG & EX J18886-20 & EX 33 CSM 287 & EX 41 CSM 191 & EX 1832183 FROM (RD-1) RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO (IN) INSTITUTIONAL OWNER: CHARLES KRAMER

President Mleziva explained to the Board there was a lengthy discussion at the Plan Commission meeting, and typically when someone comes in to rezone a property, there is some design assigned to the rezoning. By rezoning the property without a design it opens up an opportunity for the owner to put anything on the land that falls within the zoning classification. The Village could lose control of what will be put on the property if approved without a design. When referencing the Comprehensive Plan, there are two roads that dead end near these parcels, one is Highridge Avenue, and the other is Diamond Ridge Court. The Comprehensive Plan shows extending both of those roads to North Avenue. The Village's engineers did a wetland delineation study to see what our options are for putting roads in. Highridge is a safety concern. Mleziva feels the cart is being put in front of the horse not having a plan for the land. Mleziva stated yes, the Comprehensive Plan is outdated, and we entered into an agreement with Brown County to do an update. All needs of the Village will be looked at with public input, committees will be formed for the update, and the school will be part of a committee. It was never said to the school "don't purchase the land". According to the DNR if there is a navigable stream on the land, you have to build around it. It costs millions of dollars to build roads. A battle line is not the case here; the Village is trying to work with the school to make things happen.

Discussion

- Not opposed to the school purchasing the land
- The Village and School Boards are representatives of the community with many shares, and should work together
- A plan is important. We aren't preventing them from land purchase
- Let's build streets and infrastructure, we all need to prosper
- Many concerns without a solid plan
- The Village has outgrown our Comprehensive Plan which is a positive thing
- The Board is not looking to work against the school

Selner/Wertel moved to accept the recommendation to not approve the request from the Denmark School District to rezone parcel numbers VD-2 located at North Avenue, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS: THAT PART OF S1/2 NE1/4 NW1/4 SEC 27 T22N R22E LYG WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF DENMARK EX J18886-20; and part of parcel number VD-21 LOCATED AT 480 HIGHRIDGE AVENUE, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS: THAT PRT OF SE1/4 NW1/4 SEC 27 T22N R22E LYG WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF DENMARK EX COM INT W/L & C/L HIGHRIDGE AVE E 58.5 FT SWLY TO SW COR N TO BEG & EX J18886-20 & EX 33 CSM 287 & EX 41 CSM 191 & EX 1832183 FROM (RD-1) RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO (IN) INSTITUTIONAL OWNER: Charles Kramer. Motion carried 5-1. Bielinski opposed.

ADJOURN

Wertel/Goral moved to adjourn at 5:22 p.m. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Sherri Konkol, Village Clerk